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Rural Roads
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Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the number of villages proposed to be connected with roads during the next three years;

(b) the State-wise number of villages of the country included for this purpose and the quantum of funds earmarked for this purpose; and

(c) the time by which these villages are likely to be connected with the main roads?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT
(SHRI RAM KRIPAL YADAV)

(a) to (c): Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY) is a Centrally Sponsored Scheme with the objective to provide single all-weather road connectivity to all eligible unconnected habitations, existing in the Core Network, in rural areas of country. Under PMGSY, the unit of programme is a habitation and not a revenue village. A habitation is a cluster of population, living in an area, the location of which does not change over time. Desam, Dhanis, Tolas, Majras, Hamlets, etc., are commonly used terminology to describe the Habitations.
For accelerated execution of PMGSY, the Ministry of Rural Development in consultation with the Ministry of Finance and the State governments, has formulated an Action Plan to achieve the target of the Scheme early, with enhanced financial allocation to the States and modified funding pattern in the Scheme. The fund sharing pattern of PMGSY has been made in the ratio of 60:40 between the Centre and States for all States except for 8 North Eastern and 3 Himalayan States for which it will be 90:10. All the States have also been advised to get approval for sanctions of balance works under PMGSY-I/II as per the mandate of the Scheme and to substantially complete them by March, 2019, so as to provide connectivity to target habitations. In order to accelerate the implementation and ensure time bound completion of the Scheme in the States, the Government has decided to provide substantial enhancement of allocation for PMGSY. During the year 2015-16, the total Annual Allocation of the States was Rs.23,806 crore (Rs 15,175.71 crore − Central Share and Rs. 8,631 crore - State Share. The Budget Estimate (BE) for 2016-17 is Rs.19,000 crore and together with State share, about Rs 27,000 crore will be spent on PMGSY in 2016-17.

PMGSY envisages to provide connectivity to a total of 1,83,599 number of eligible habitations as per Core Network. Upto June, 2016, the Ministry has cleared the projects for providing connectivity to 1,51,105 eligible habitations and the States have reported that connectivity has been provided to 1,19,204 habitations. State-wise details of total targeted eligible habitations along with details of cleared and connected are as per Annexure.